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THE STATUS OF WOMEN**

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**State Legislative Commission on Women To Conduct
Public Hearing in New London**

Topic: Balancing Work & Family

Are your options for childcare: Affordable? Accessible? Allow you to work?

Sick Time: Do you have it? Do you need it?

Family Responsibilities: Are you caring for small children? For older or disabled family members? Can you take time off work when you need to?

Public Hearing

Monday, December 13th, 2004

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

New London City Hall, City Council Chambers, 181 State Street, New London,
CT

Sign-up to speak starts at 5 pm

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Hartford—The state legislature's Permanent Commission on the Status of Women (PCSW), in association with the co-sponsors listed below are hosting a public hearing to address the issues CT citizens face in trying to balance work and family responsibilities. If you are interested in this issue, please come to the hearing so your voice can be heard.

Any interested individuals may testify by submitting oral and/or written testimony. For oral testimony, sign-up will begin at 5:00 PM that day. People wishing to testify are asked to bring 15 copies of their testimony, if possible. Written testimony will also be accepted after the hearing date and may be submitted by mail to the PCSW (18-20 Trinity Street, Hartford, CT 06106) until Monday, December 20th, 2004.

Co-sponsoring this Public Hearing with the PCSW are the American Association of University Women – New London (AAUW), League of Women Voters of Southeastern Connecticut, Southeastern Connecticut Women's Network, Women's Center of Southeastern CT, CT National Organization of Women (CT NOW), CT Women's Education and Legal Fund (CWEALF), National Association of Women Business Owners/ CT Chapter (NAWBO-CT), National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW), and the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

The Permanent Commission on the Status of Women was established by the CT State Legislature in 1973. The Commission studies all matters concerning women, informs leaders about the nature and scope of discrimination, serves as a liaison between government and private interest groups concerned with services for women, promotes consideration of women for governmental positions and works with state agencies to assess programs and practices as they affect women.

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